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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM NAGORNO-KARABAKH "FOREIGN MINISTER" TO OSCE AMBASSADOR KASPRZYK

11. (SBU) The "Nagorno Karabakh Republic" representative office in Yerevan forwarded the below letter, from "NKR Foreign Minister" Georgiy Petrossian to OSCE Special Representative Kasprzyk, with the request that we convey to U.S. Minsk Group negotiator Matthew Bryza. Post has no plans to forward the original to the Department unless so requested.

12. (SBU) FULL TEXT:

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE NAGORNO KARABAKH REPUBLIC

Stepanakert, 8 October 2007 #12/493

To: Personal Representive of Acting Chairman of OSCE Ambassador Kasprzyk

Dear Ambassador Kasprzyk,

Unfortunately I have to ascertain that regardless of long-term practice of cooperation between the MFA of Nagorno Karabakh Republic and the Office of Personal Representative of Acting Chairman of OSCE on the issue of monitoring the contact line of armed forces of Karabakh Republic and Azerbaijan Republic on October 8 2007 field assistant of the Personal Representative of Acting Chairman of OSVE again refused to receive the Dip Note (M-18/07) of Nagorno Karabakh Republic MFA where agreement has been given on the request of allowance and cooperation to organize monitoring in accordance with mandate of the Personal representative of the Acting Chairman of OSCE.

Nagorno Karabakh side again considers the refusal to get the Dip. Note of NKR MFA as a refusal of cooperation in organizing the monitoring and providing participants of the monitoring with safety guarantees from Karabakh Government.

In this context Nagorno Karabakh part relieves itself of responsibility for the frustration of monitoring and its consequences.

Ambassador Kasprzyk, please accept assurance of my highest consideration.

Georgiy Petrossian The Minister of Foreign Affairs

cc: Co-Chairman of OSCE Minsk Group Mr. Matthew Bryza (USA)
 Co-Chairman of OSCE Minsk Group Mr. Barnard Fassie
(France)
 Co-Chairman of OSCE Minsk Group Mr. Yuri Merzlyakov

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